1	ORDINANCE 2011
2 3 4	ORDINANCE PROHIBITING THE CARRYING OF WEAPONS IN COUNTY BUILDINGS
5 6 7	The County Board of Supervisors of the County of Adams does ordain as follows:
8	WHEREAS: Wisconsin Act 35, commonly known as "Concealed Carry Law" was
9	signed into law on July 8, 2011, to become effective on November 1, 2011; and
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11	WHEREAS: There are legitimate concerns for the safety and security of County
12	employees and members of the public in all County owned, occupied or
13	controlled buildings; and
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15	WHEREAS: It is in the best interest of Adams County that an Ordinance be
16	enacted intended to preserve and promote public protection and safety, public
17	peace and good, and workplace safety and health.
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19	NOW THEREFORE, the Adams County Board of Supervisors does hereby
20	ordain as follows:
21	1. <u>AUTHORITY</u> . This Ordinance is adopted pursuant to Wis. Stats.
22	§175.60 and shall become effective on November 1, 2011, after
23	enacted and publication as required by law. The provisions of Wis.
24	Stats. §175.60 are incorporated herein as if stated in full.
25	2. <u>DEFINITIONS</u> .
26	a. "Weapon" includes, without limitation, any firearm (including a
27	handgun), an electric weapon (as defined in Section
28	941.295(1c)(a), Wisconsin Statutes), a knife (except a pocket
29	knife with a blade less than 2.5 inches), a switchblade (as
30	defined in Section 941.24(1), Wisconsin Statutes), a billy club,
31	or any device designed or used as a weapon and capable of
32	producing great bodily harm or death.
33	b. "Carry" means to go armed with.

34	c. "Licensee" means an individual holding a valid license to carry
35	a concealed weapon under Section 175.60 Wisconsin Statutes
36	or an out-of-state licensee per Section 175.60(1)(f)12.
37	Wisconsin Statutes.
38	d. "Sign" means a sign that states a restriction imposed hereunder
39	and that is at least 5 inches by 7 inches.
40	3. <u>PROHIBITIONS</u> .
41	a. Neither a licensee, out-of-state licensee, or any person,
42	may knowingly carry a concealed weapon, or a weapon
43	that is not concealed, in any part of a building that is
44	owned, occupied or controlled by the County, including
45	but not limited to: Court, Law Enforcement,
46	Administration, Health and Human Services, Highway,
47	Storage Facilities, County Parks, Solid Waste, Community
48	Center, or County Fairgrounds buildings and any County
49	owned/leased vehicles. This prohibition does not apply
50	to:
51	1. Certified law enforcement officers, entitled
52	to carry a weapon, while acting in their
53	official capacity and with lawful authority.
54	2. A person who leases residential or business
55	premises in the building.
56	3. A person if a firearm is in a non-county
57	owned or leased vehicle driven or parked in
58	the parking facility, or to any part of the
59	building used as a parking facility.
60	b. County employees, contractors/subcontractors, agents
61	and assigns, are prohibited from carrying a concealed
62	weapon or a weapon that is not concealed in the course
63	or during any part of their employment. This prohibition
64	does not apply to:

65	 Certified law enforcement officers, entitled
66	to carry a weapon, while acting in their
67	official capacity and with lawful authority.
68	2. An employee, who is a Licensee, properly
69	storing a weapon or ammunition in the
70	employee's own motor vehicle, regardless
71	of whether the motor vehicle is used in the
72	course of employment or whether the
73	motor vehicle is driven or parked on
74	property used by the County.
75	3. A judge who is a licensee carrying the
76	weapon or if another licensee or out-of-
77	state licensee, whom a judge has permitted
78	in writing to carry a weapon, is carrying the
79	weapon.
80	4. A district attorney, or an assistant district
81	attorney, who is a licensee carrying the
82	weapon.
83	c. Organizers of any "special event" on County property
84	may prohibit any persons carrying or possessing a
85	weapon from entering or remaining at the special event.
86	This prohibition does not apply to:
87	1. Certified law enforcement officers, entitled
88	to carry a weapon, while acting in their
89	official capacity and with lawful authority.
90	2. If the firearm is in a vehicle driven or
91	parked in the parking facility, or to any part
92	of the special event grounds or building
93	used as a parking facility.
94	4. NOTICE. Notice to all persons of this Ordinance shall consist of
95	signage, not less than 5" X 7" in size, posted at all entrances to County

96	buildings in prominent places, where persons can reasonably be
97	expected to see the sign. Language shall be drafted and approved by
98	the Adams County Corporation Counsel prior to ordering and posting
99	said signs.
100	a. In addition to Notice by signs as defined above, Adams County
101	may install equipment at any and all entrances to County owned
102	property, and/or employ security personnel to detect and/or
103	disallow persons carrying weapons from entering County
104	property.
105	b. County employees shall be additionally notified through
106	amendments to the County's Personnel and Administrative
107	Policies and/or employee handbooks.
108	c. Notice for any special event covered herein shall be by posting a
109	sign located in a prominent place near all of the entrances to
110	the special event, such that any individual attending the special
111	event can be reasonably expected to see the sign.
112	5. <u>MISCELLANEOUS PROVISIONS</u> .
113	a. This Ordinance is intended to be consistent with, and
114	cannot supersede, state law/or federal law.
115	b. This Ordinance shall amend and supersede all provisions
116	of Ordinance No. 13-2000 or any other Ordinance in
117	conflict herewith. If any provision or clause of this
118	Ordinance or its application to any person or
119	circumstance is held invalid, the invalidity shall not affect
120	other provisions or applications of this Ordinance that
121	can be given effect without the invalid provision or
122	application, and to this end the provisions of this
123	Ordinance are severable.
124	c. Reference to the Wisconsin Statutes herein, include such
125	statutes now existing or hereafter amended.
126	6. <u>PENALTIES.</u>

127	a. As applicable, referral to law enforcement or the district	
128	attorney for prosecution, including a fine of up to \$500 or up to	
129	30 days in jail under Wisconsin Statutes Section 175.60(17),	
130	additionally, Wisconsin Statutes Section 943.13, or any other	
131	applicable statutes.	
132	b. For County employees, discipline up to and including discharge	
133	from employment.	
134	7. <u>EFFECTIVE DATE</u> . This Ordinance becomes effective on November 1,	
135	2011, after enactment by the Adams County Board, and Publication as	
136	required by law.	
137	Recommended for enactment by the Property Committee this 14 th day of	
138	October, 2011.	
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142 143	Enacted by the Adams County Board of Supervisors	
143 144	Defeated by the Adams County Board of Supervisors	_